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Press Release

Draft Sewer Extension Master Plan August 2011 Released for Public Comment

Since early 2003 the Department of Public Works (DPW) has been updating the Sewer Extension Master Plan. This plan identifies the areas of Town that are not served by the public sanitary sewer system and rates the need for these areas to be added to the system. The past plans have served as the DPW's guide for planning and extending new sanitary sewers. The goal of the current process is to evaluate the revised plan, review comments from the public and determine the future course of action regarding extensions to public sanitary sewers.

The draft Sewer Extension Master Plan dated August 2011 has been released for public review and comment. Comments concerning the plan should be submitted to the Department of Public Works by 11:00 am on October 24, 2011. They may be submitted by mail to the address above or email to Publicworks@amherstma.gov.

There are currently two public presentations scheduled for discussion of the draft plan. They are:

1. September 26, 2011 at 7:10 pm during the Select Board/ Sewer Commissioners regularly scheduled meeting in the Town Room of Town Hall. This meeting will be a general overview of the plan and review process.
2. October 11, 2011 at 7:00 pm, in the Town Room of Town Hall. This will be a public presentation of the Sewer Extension Master Plan by Camp Dresser and McKee Inc. (CDM). CDM is the engineering firm that was hired to revise the sewer plan.

A third public discussion of the plan will be on October 24, 2011 at the Select Board/ Sewer Commissioners regularly scheduled meeting in the Town Room of Town Hall. This meeting will be to discuss the public and Committee comments that have been received, discuss staff recommendations on the plan, discuss possible plan implementation and take action to accept the plan, request revisions, or reject the plan.

The document can be found at the link below:

<http://www.amherstma.gov/DocumentView.aspx?DID=5473>

For questions or additional information contact the DPW office at 259-3050 ext 0, or email the DPW at Publicworks@amherstma.gov.

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